

## REMARKS

### Specification

The specification is amended to incorporate by reference, the CD copies of the sequence listing submitted under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(c) and 1.52(e). No new matter is added by this amendment.

### Figures

The substitute Figures are amended merely to identify the sequences with the proper SEQ ID NO., as contained in the sequence listing. No new matter is added in the substitute Figures.

### Sequence Listing

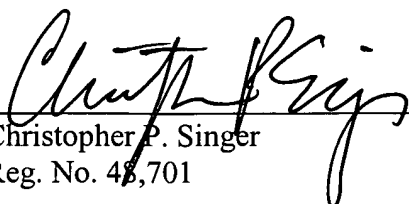
The sequence listing, submitted in duplicate on CD, in lieu of a paper copy, and on CD (CRF copy) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(c),(e) corresponds with the SEQ ID NOs in the application as filed. The Sequence Listing has been generated from the specification and Figures and does not constitute new matter. The Sequence Listing has been prepared using PatentIn 3.3 and checked with Checker 4.2. No error has been found.

### Oath/Declaration

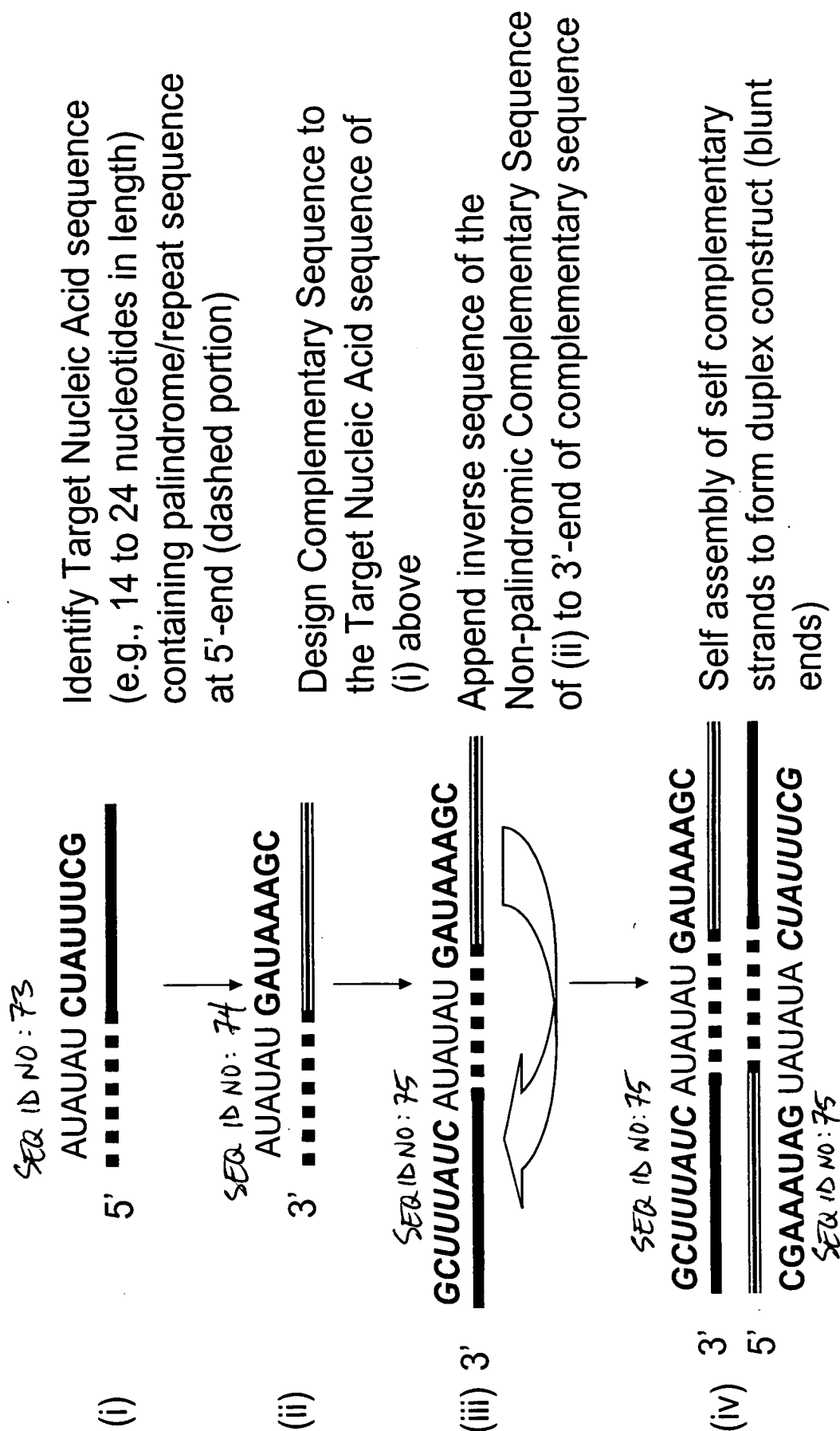
Applicants submit the Oath/Declaration for the application, executed by each inventor (37 C.F.R. §1.63). A check for the surcharge fee (\$65.00) associated with late filing of the oath/declaration is included.

Respectfully submitted,  
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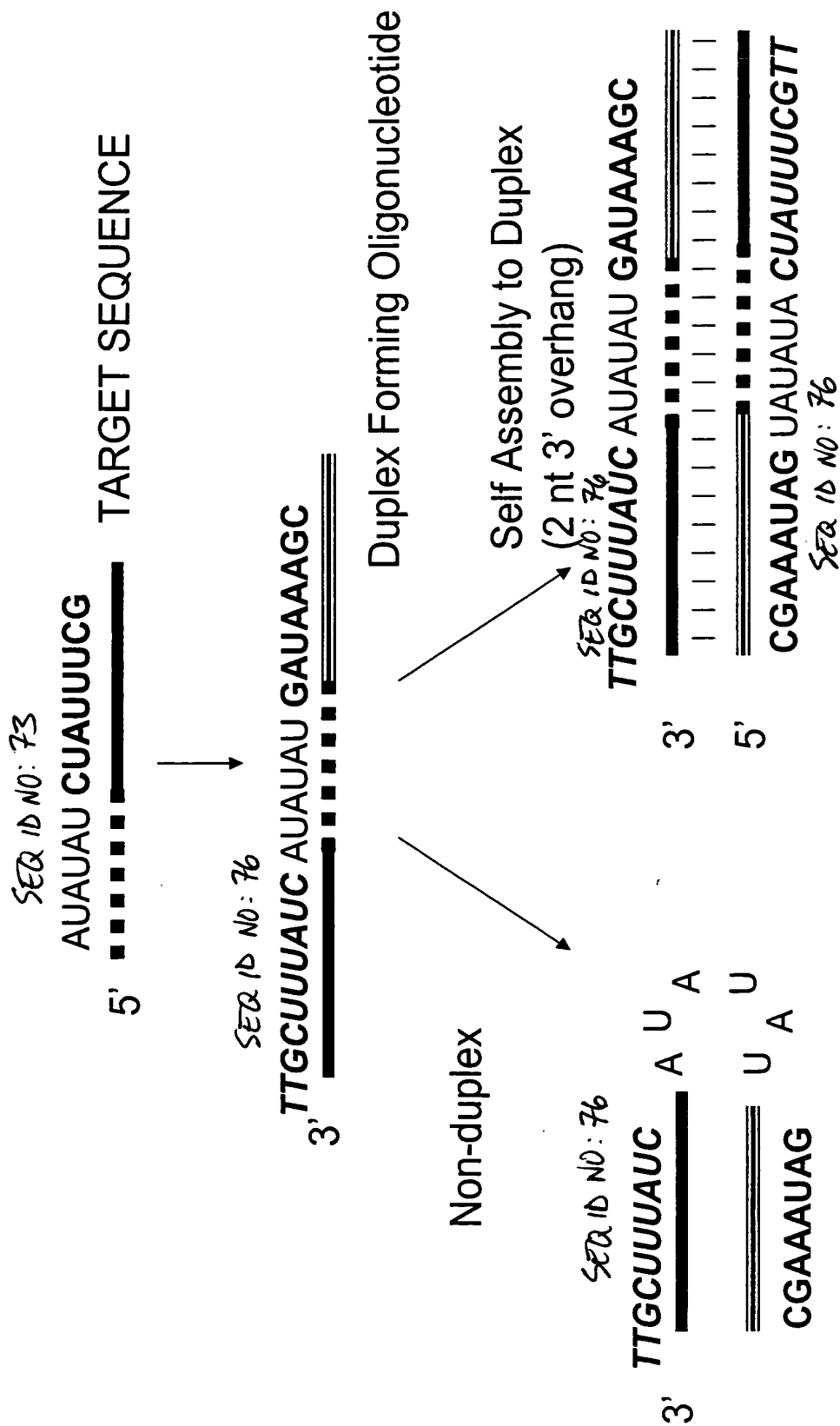
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**Figure 10B: Example of a duplex forming oligonucleotide sequence that utilizes a palindrome or repeat sequence**



**Figure 10C: Example of a duplex forming oligonucleotide sequence that utilizes a palindrome or repeat sequence, self assembly**



**Figure 10D: Example of a duplex forming oligonucleotide sequence that utilizes a palindrome or repeat sequence, self assembly and inhibition of Target Sequence Expression**

